

LARGE DECLINES IN STOCKS.

Unsettled Condition of the Steel Trades Prompted Heavy Selling.

New York, Feb. 23.—Severe breaks occurred in the stock market today as a result of the combined influence of the unsettled condition of the steel industry and a supreme court decision declaring the New York Central Railroad company guilty of giving rebates to the American Sugar Refining company. There was heavy selling the steel and copper stocks at the outset, but during most of the morning buying of standard railroad stocks was sufficient to sustain prices, and cause some advances, but during the noon hour the entire market weakened and declines of 3 to 4 points were numerous. United States Steel common stock sold down to 42, a decline of four points from Saturday's close and a loss of over ten points from the high price of last week. Reading stock declined over nine points.

Heavy Guard Is Placed Around Jail.

Springfield, Mo. Feb. 23.—Fearing an attack by a mob on the county jail, where Eugene Tucker, who last night shot and killed Joshua Ellis and his wife, is confined, Sheriff Freeman placed twenty armed deputies on guard there tonight. Early this evening word reached the sheriff that a mob was forming to avenge the double murder. Police are being held in reserve to assist the sheriff if necessary.

What is known as the "padlock system" in the state of Kansas is causing consternation to the illegal liquor sellers of that state. When an officer finds illegal liquor he not only immediately destroys the same but also the bar and fixtures, chairs, tables and all furniture is burned publicly.

In addition to this the officer closes the building and places a padlock on the door of the same. The owner of the building, in order to get possession of the same again must make oath that the building will not again be used for illegal purposes and must pay all costs.

New Public Road

The county court has ordered a public road to be opened up on the county line running west from Monett. This will make a more direct road to Monett for many farmers living west and southwest and will make a difference in travel of a couple of miles each trip. The county surveyor will be up in a few days to lay out the road.

The Ladies' Society of B. of L. F. and E. to Give Box Supper

The Ladies' Society of B. of L. F. and E. will give a box supper at the Masonic Hall Wednesday evening, February 24. Everybody invited to come and bring a box. A good time is in store for all those who attend, so do not miss the treat.

Mrs. Guinney's Sunday School class of young men gave a social Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Guinney. About fifty were present and the evening was pleasantly spent in games and music.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church held a social at the home of Mrs. J. L. Hobbs Tuesday evening. There was a good attendance and all had a very pleasant time.

Mrs. T. L. Collacott entertained the Episcopal Sunday School at her home on Monday afternoon. All enjoyed the occasion very much. Mrs. Collacott served a delicious lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. McCullah of Siloam Springs, are expected here in a few days. Mr. McCullah has accepted a position as undertaker for R. M. Callaway.

Clyde Northcutt went to Seneca Wednesday.

KINGSPRAIRIE

It begins now to look as if spring was going to come in a few days. If it keeps dry farming will begin.

Next Saturday and Sunday is Rev. Qualls time at New Liberty. A welcome is extended to all.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Levi Allen is again quite sick. The death of her husband has been a heavy blow.

It is to be hoped that the great revival meeting just closed in Monett may be the means of lasting good being done and that the churches may reach out for still more.

Miss Emma Tate, sister to Marion and Philip Tate, was married at Marionville last week to a young man by the name of Hale. They will make their home near that place.

We see an item in the Peirce City paper stating that if local option should strike Monett just now it will go dry. We would inform them that with a fair deal we believe that she would have been a dry town. But there is a day of retribution coming.

E. R. Strubling has taken in a new boarder. It is another girl.

Rev. Levi Allen who died last week at his home northeast of Monett was one of those faithful servants spoken of by Christ in his Sermon on the Mount. For many long years Bro. Allen went forth to meet his obligations as a minister, through heat and cold, oftentimes under most discouraging circumstances, without a murmur. Many, no doubt, rejoice that they accepted the light under his pleading and while man failed to reward him his crown will be filled with many bright gems as a token of love, by his Heavenly Father for his faithful service here below.

Miss Ethel Reid, who has been teaching school in Lawrence county, north of Verona, closed her school last week and has returned home. Miss Ethel is a very promising young lady. She is organist in the New Liberty Sunday School.

Joe says that patent milking machine is now on the market. It's no fake and will put Joe out of a job. It milks, churns and molds the butter. No more kicking, no more bad English. A church member can take charge without any serious danger. Let's buy one.

The wheat has got lots of room to come out. Many fields look like plowed ground only.

The R. F. D. is one of the greatest benefactors to the rural district. The farmer can read his daily paper just about as soon as his city cousin.

The Prairie school, Mr. Cowherd at the helm, will close Friday. The school will have something to do on the last day, we understand.

A question was given to be answered next Sunday in Sunday School: Where was the garden of Eden located? That is very easy. The old site is just east of McDowell, between those two mountains. Good, go up head.

Last Monday evening John Tate's house caught fire but only the roof was damaged. This is the second time within two months that fire caught at the roof. A defective flue is supposed to be the cause.

As our news factory has run dry and our thinking tank is empty we will ring off.

Joe.

Licensed to Wed

C. E. Benbrook and E. Moskop, Monett; O. C. Stephenson, Mineral Spring and Rosa Worthey, Manos; J. T. Williams, Komalty, Okla. and Lucy Neill, Scholten; James P. Moore, Monett and Nellie Hollowell, Bentonville, Ark.

Jas. Brooks of Paris, Tex., visited Fred Lopp Sunday on his way to St. Louis.

MR. ROOSEVELT DOESN'T WANT NEWSPAPER MEN TO FOLLOW HIM TO AFRICA



Special Correspondent Roosevelt—Hal I Have a Tip That Mr. Roosevelt Is About to Slay an Elephant. It'll Make a Hot Story.



"Now for a Scoop!"



"Dee-lighted!"

For School Commissioner

We are authorized to announce James McNally as a candidate for County Commissioner. Mr. McNally is principal of the Central school of Monett. He is a man of good character and ability and has had 14 years experience in the schools of Barry county. If elected he will strive to conduct the educational affairs of the county to the best interest of the county.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church met with Mrs. T. E. Adams Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mesdames Blunt, Pilant, Watson, Heironymus, Borgett, Beery, Harris, Miller, T. E. Adams, and Chas. Adams. The society meets next week with Mrs. Blunt on Seventh Street.

Revolt at Cold Steel

"Your only hope" said three doctors to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, Detroit, Mich. suffering from severe rectal trouble, lies in an operation. "Then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent Appendicitis, cure Constipation, Headache, 25c at Cox Drug Store.

The divorce suit of Thos. M. Allen, ex-postmaster of Cassville, against his wife Margaret C. Allen was taken on a change of venue to Stone county by the defendant.

In sickness, if a certain hidden nerve goes wrong, then the organ that this nerve controls will also surely fail. It may be a stomach nerve, or it may have given strength and support to the heart or kidneys. It was Dr. Shoop that first pointed to this vital truth. Dr. Shoop's Restorative was not made to dose the stomach nor to temporarily stimulate the heart and kidneys. That old-fashioned method is all wrong. Dr. Shoop's Restorative goes directly to these failing inside nerves. The remarkable success of this prescription demonstrates the wisdom of treating the actual cause of these failing organs. And it is indeed easy to prove. A simple five and ten days test will surely tell. Try it once, and see! Sold by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barlow, of Neosho, who had been visiting relatives here went to Springfield to visit.

E. Arnold, J. P. S. Planchon, Pleasant and Brit Carlin and G. M. Withers went to Cassville Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Hewlett of north of town was married to a Mr. Doss Sunday. They will make their home in north Missouri.

Mrs. M. C. Rittenhouse returned Wednesday from Cassville where she had been a witness in the Baxter divorce case.

Mrs. M. Dietrich is reported getting along nicely.

Miss Julia Gray, of Peirce, visited in Monett Wednesday.

Miss Lee Amber remains quite ill.

Mr. Wm. Weaver is ill with the grip.

Miss Pauline Thompson is suffering from an attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. Matthews and family have moved to Springfield.

W. K. Martin visited her mother in Peirce Wednesday.

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COURT HOUSE QUESTION.

The Promoters of the Special Election Covered With a Wet Blanket.

The committee called by the county court to discuss the question of a new court house met in Cassville Tuesday afternoon.

The meeting was called in the court room and was presided over by Judge Duncan. J. F. Mermoud, of Monett township was selected as secretary.

When the object of the meeting was stated it was found that two propositions would be considered. Shall an election be called to vote a direct tax for a court house? or, shall an election be called to vote bonds for a court house?

The question of whether the voters wanted an election or not could not be discussed without getting out of order.

The townships were called in order and delegates were given five minutes each to make their report. Many of the reports showed only individual preferences and a few, not of the chosen, got in a word or two edgewise.

When the situation was summed up it was found that a majority of the townships reporting were favorable to a direct tax.

A petition in blank was then presented for approval, asking the court to call an immediate election to vote a direct tax of 40c for three years to build a court house. This opened the way for the voters to express themselves on the election matter and the motion was lost by an overwhelming show of hands. The conclusion was that the taxpayers of Barry county are not ready to meet the expense of another court house election.

The north half of the county was accused by one or two of not favoring the building of a court house at once for the reason that the people of that section wanted a term of court at Monett. That fact is generally known. The north half of the county wants a term of court and Monett is ready to help them get it. To this end Monett will agree to furnish court room and offices free of cost to county. Could anything be fairer?

Farmers Take Notice

When in need of fire and tornado insurance you should see that you are written up in a good company. We are prepared to write you in the Home Fire Insurance Company of New York, which is the largest company doing business in the U. S., and can give you as good rates as you can secure any place. We also insure country stores, school houses, churches and all other rural buildings. Your patronage will be appreciated.

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Will Such and Dr. W. M. West returned from Kansas City where they had taken Mrs. Such for treatment for nervous breakdown. The hospital physicians anticipate a recovery in a few weeks.

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ARKANSAS TOWN WRECKED IN GALE.

Six Persons Meet Death In Terrible Storm That Wipes Out Town of Marked Tree.

Marked Tree, Ark., Feb. 23.—Six persons were killed, and more than a score were injured, several seriously and practically every building in the town of Fisher was wrecked by a tornado which swept through the northwestern portion of this country early today, according to advices received here. Wire communication with the devastated district is completely prostrated and information received was by messenger who stated that in the town of Fisher but two buildings are standing while damage in the surrounding country is also great. Because of the flooded condition of intervening territory a relief party which started from Marked Tree this afternoon was forced to abandon the effort. Many of the injured it is stated, are buried beneath the wreckage.

Mrs. H. L. Marquardt, of Peirce City, visited her daughter, Mrs. L. West Thursday.

Governor Hadley's Appointments.

Governor Hadley appointed Henry P. Audrae, of Jefferson City, Tuesday, Warden of the State penitentiary for a term of four years dating from April 1st.

The appointment was made in direct opposition to the wishes of the state republican bosses. Audrae is circuit clerk of the county and he had the endorsement of the business men of Jefferson City without regard to the party.

Other appointments made by the Governor were:

W. E. Clark, of Nevada, a member of the Board of Managers of the Nevada Insane Asylum for four years from February 4, 1909.

W. T. Pendleton, of Boonville, a member of the Board of Managers of the Reform School for Boys at Boonville for four years from February 4, 1909.

Colonel John M. Williams, of California, a member of the Board of Managers of the Reform School for Boys for four years from February 4, 1909.

Doctor J. L. Schofield, of Warrensburg, a member of the Board of Regents of the Warrensburg State Normal for six years from January 1, 1909.

Judge Howard Gray, of Joplin, a member of the Board of Managers of the St. Joseph Insane Asylum for four years from February 4, 1909.

W. C. Pierce, of Maryville, a member of the Board of Managers of the St. Joseph Insane Asylum for four years from February 1, 1909.

Henry W. Beardsley, of Kansas City, a member of the Board of Managers of the St. Joseph Insane Asylum for four years from February 4, 1909.

Attorney Named To Prosecute Publishers.

Washington, Feb. 23.—United States District Attorney McNamara has been commissioned by Attorney General Bonaparte as special assistant to Attorney General to aid in the prosecution of the press publishing company (editors of the New York World, and owners of the Indianapolis News) recently indicted for alleged criminal libel of Roosevelt, and others. McNamara will go tomorrow.

The Secret of Long Life.

A French scientist has discovered one secret of long life. His method deals with the blood. But long ago millions of Americans had proved Electric Bitters prolongs life and makes it worth living. It purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, rebuilds wasted nerve cells. It is a god-send to weak, sick, and debilitated people. "Kidney trouble had blighted my life for months," writes W. M. Sherman of Cushing, Me., "but Electric Bitters cured me entirely." Only 50c at A. H. Cox & Co.

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